

NINTH VICTIM DIES;  
OTHERS ARE DYINGGeorgia's Roll of Death May  
Total Fourteen.

## BLAME FUNNEL SPARK

The Survivors Think It Came  
Through Turret Ventilator.

Midshipman Kimball, Only Man of  
Twenty-one in the Iron Trap Who  
Escaped Without Serious Injury,  
Describes the Inferno that Raged  
After Powder Was Ignited—Six  
Bodies Are Claimed by Relatives.

Boston, July 16.—Seaman Edmund J.  
Walsh, of Lynn, a member of the crew of  
the battleship Georgia, died at the Naval  
Hospital in Chelsea this afternoon, making  
the number of fatalities due to the  
powder explosion total nine.

The surgeons say that there is hardly a  
chance of Seaman James P. Thomas, of  
Brooklyn, and Lewis O. Meese of Cincinnati,  
living through the night. Both these  
men have been kept under the influence  
of opiates ever since they were brought to  
the hospital, because of their dreadful  
burns.

Three more of the injured are likely to  
die, so the surgeons say, and two others  
are in a critical state.

John Thomas, of Newport, father of  
Seaman Thomas, arrived at the hospital  
to-day with his two sons, and they were  
quickly ushered to the ward of the young  
sailor. Although in a critical condition,  
the boy recognized them. They remained  
with him only a few minutes.

The bodies of six of the dead were  
claimed to-day by relatives and were sent  
home. The others will be dispatched to-  
morrow.

Rear Admiral Goodrich, commandant of  
the Brooklyn navy yard, with his wife  
and two daughters, left Chelsea to-day,  
after they had perfected arrangements  
for the transportation of the body of the  
Admiral's son, Lieut. Caspar Goodrich,  
who died last night. The body was sent to  
St. John's Church, N. J., where the funeral  
will be held on Thursday.

## Yamamoto Sends Flowers.

Admiral Yamamoto, of Japan, sent  
Lieut. Commander Taniguchi, naval at-  
tache of the embassy of Japan at Wash-  
ington, to the hospital to-day, Taniguchi  
bringing the sympathy of the Admiral.

He also sent splendid floral tributes,  
to be placed upon the caskets of Lieut.  
Goodrich and Midshipman Goldthwaite,  
and handsome bouquets for the injured  
men.

Midshipman Lucien Kimball was the  
only man of the twenty-one in the turret  
to escape serious injury. He told the fol-  
lowing story of what happened when the  
explosion occurred:

"There were just twenty-one of us in  
the turret. Lieut. Goodrich was in com-  
mand, and I was his subordinate.

"The projectile had just been rammed  
into the turret, and the charge of  
powder had come up from the maga-  
zine in the carriage. It was contained in  
two bags, each holding fifty-two pounds.

"Seaman Thomas had lifted one bag  
from the carriage, and was about to put  
it under the electric ram to the loader.  
The other charge lay on the carriage. At  
that moment I was facing aft, close to  
the wall of the turret. Instinctively I  
held my breath, ducked, and drew my  
cap over my face. Though I suppose it  
was but a few seconds, it seemed an age  
while the flames blazed around me and I  
felt the heat blistering my body. It was  
awful. I could hear the men screaming  
and gasping for breath in the suffocating  
gas released by the burning powder.

Men Piled in Heaps.

"Then I turned and tried to put out the  
fire in the clothes of the men piled around  
in heaps. They lay four or five on top  
of each other.

"My injuries amount to nothing but a  
few burns on my hands. I guess it was  
sparks from the funnel that came through  
the opening in the top of the turret that  
caused the trouble. A spark probably  
landed on the bag of powder in Thomas's  
hands."

The following story of the disaster is  
told by Acting Gunner Capt. Charles H.  
Hansell, who is one of the least seriously  
injured:

"None of us knew much about it until  
it was all over, it was so quick. When  
I saw that first flash, instinct told me  
what was up, and I could get some air,  
and was so low down that the flames did  
not hurt me seriously. Mr. Kimball was  
with me.

"The instant the flash came, Lieut.  
Goodrich, who was in charge of our turret,  
rushed for the ladder to the hatch.  
We were on top of the turret, thinking to  
get out before the turret filled with smoke  
and gas, but the powder was too quick  
for him, and he was horribly burned be-  
fore he could get to the hatch.

Seaman Malack was sitting on top of  
the turret, where he was stationed to  
take gauges, with his legs hanging down  
the hatchway. Influenced probably by  
Lieut. Goodrich, who, maddened by his  
suffraging, plunged into the sea, he threw  
himself overboard, too."

"The first flash was followed quickly by  
a second from the other bag of powder.  
That was a moment of terror to all who  
were still conscious, and there were few.  
Men were lying in heaps, moaning, dying,  
unconscious, baking and suffocating. The  
next moment seemed eternity. Help from  
outside came quickly, and the men were  
physically lifted and taken away to be cared  
for. Living men could not top the turret  
until the heat had been sub-  
dued by pomg water in, which also set-  
tled the smoke and dispelled the gases  
to some extent.

"We had fired nine shots and made nine  
hits, and still had time enough to fire  
two shots more and be within two min-  
utes. Now, when you fire eleven shots  
with 8-inch guns in two minutes, you're  
doing some shooting."

## ACADEMY MOURNS VICTIMS.

Goodrich and Goldthwaite Both  
Well Known in Annapolis.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Annapolis, Md., July 16.—The news of  
the explosion aboard the battleship Geor-  
gia yesterday, in which two naval officers  
and six men were killed, following so

## WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia:  
Partly cloudy to-day. To-mor-  
row fair; little change in tem-  
perature; light to fresh south to  
west winds.

## HERALD NEWS SUMMARY.

PAGES. TELEGRAPHIC.  
1—Another of the Georgia Crew Dies.  
1—Elks Hold Election of Officers.  
1—President Fallieres Praises America.  
1—Successor to Mayor Schmitz Named.  
1—Woman Suicide Writes While Dying.  
1—Militia Tastes of Real Camp Life.  
2—Golden Tourists at Indianapolis.  
7—News of Maryland and Virginia.

## LOCAL.

2—Acetylene Men in Session Here.  
2—Jamestown Fair Approved.  
2—Automobile Walker Pays Fine.  
2—Army and Navy Union Meets To-day.  
10—Crowless Rooster Now Wanted.  
10—Chamber of Commerce Discusses Site.

## GLEN DEFIES COURT

Orders Federal Injunction in  
Rate Case Ignored.

## SOUTHERN'S AGENT ARRESTED

Accused of Violating Two-cent Law,  
He Declines Bail and May Seek  
Writ of Habeas Corpus, Which  
State Will Refuse to Recognize.  
Has Government No Power?

Raleigh, N. C., July 16.—Gov. Glenn has  
boldly defied Federal Judge Pritchard, and  
has ordered the enforcement of the rail-  
road-rate law which forbids the sale of  
passenger tickets for more than 24 cents  
a mile, thus precipitating a clash be-  
tween Federal and State authorities.

Although forbidden by an injunction issued  
by Judge Pritchard, the State au-  
thorities to-day indicted Thomas Green,  
ticket agent at Raleigh for the Southern,  
for violating the law. Green refused to  
give bond and was placed in jail.

It is said Green's attorneys will apply to  
Judge Pritchard for a writ of habeas corpus.  
Gov. Glenn announces that the writ  
will not be recognized, as Pritchard has  
no right to interfere in the administration  
of the State's criminal laws.

Gov. Glenn proposes to fight the matter  
out at once, and has ordered judges and  
prosecuting attorneys to indict railroad  
agents in every county in the State. The  
governor says Judge Pritchard has practi-  
cally taken over the administration of  
the laws of North Carolina.

## AUTO DROPS WITH SIX PERSONS

Wet Roads Makes It Skid and Go  
Over Embankment Into River.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Morgantown, W. Va., July 16.—An auto-  
mobile, in which Mr. and Mrs. George C.  
White and their son Wilfred, of Union-  
town, and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bridges  
and daughter, of Morgantown, were rid-  
ing, fell over an embankment, a distance  
of 25 feet, into the Cheat River yesterday.

The party was coming to Morgantown,  
and on the road there had been rain only  
part of the way. Bridges was driving the  
machine and had been going on a long  
stretch of dry road. He did not know  
that there had been a heavy rain above  
Cheat Haven until the machine suddenly  
struck wet ground and began to skid. It  
went back rapidly to the river.

Bridges told all to jump, but White was  
the only one able to get out. He tried to  
do something for the others, but the ma-  
chine plunged over the embankment.

Strange to say, none of the occupants  
was seriously injured.

## CALLS US BOMBASTIC NATION

Libre Parole Real Mean in Its Re-  
ference to America.French Paper Has Greater Respect  
for Prowess of Japan Than  
of Uncle Sam.

Paris, July 16.—The Libre Parole pays  
its respects to the distinguished head of  
the American government in an article  
considering the prospects of war between  
the United States and Japan.

Incidentally, it gives one foreign view  
of American prowess. The Japanese, it  
says, are still living in the enthusiasm of  
their victory over the Russians. They are  
in admirable war training, and are vi-  
brating with patriotism and warlike  
ardor.

On the other hand, the Americans have  
been softened by long years of peace,  
coupled with unexampled prosperity, and  
now appear rather stripped of that in-  
tensity of energy so much celebrated by  
President Roosevelt.

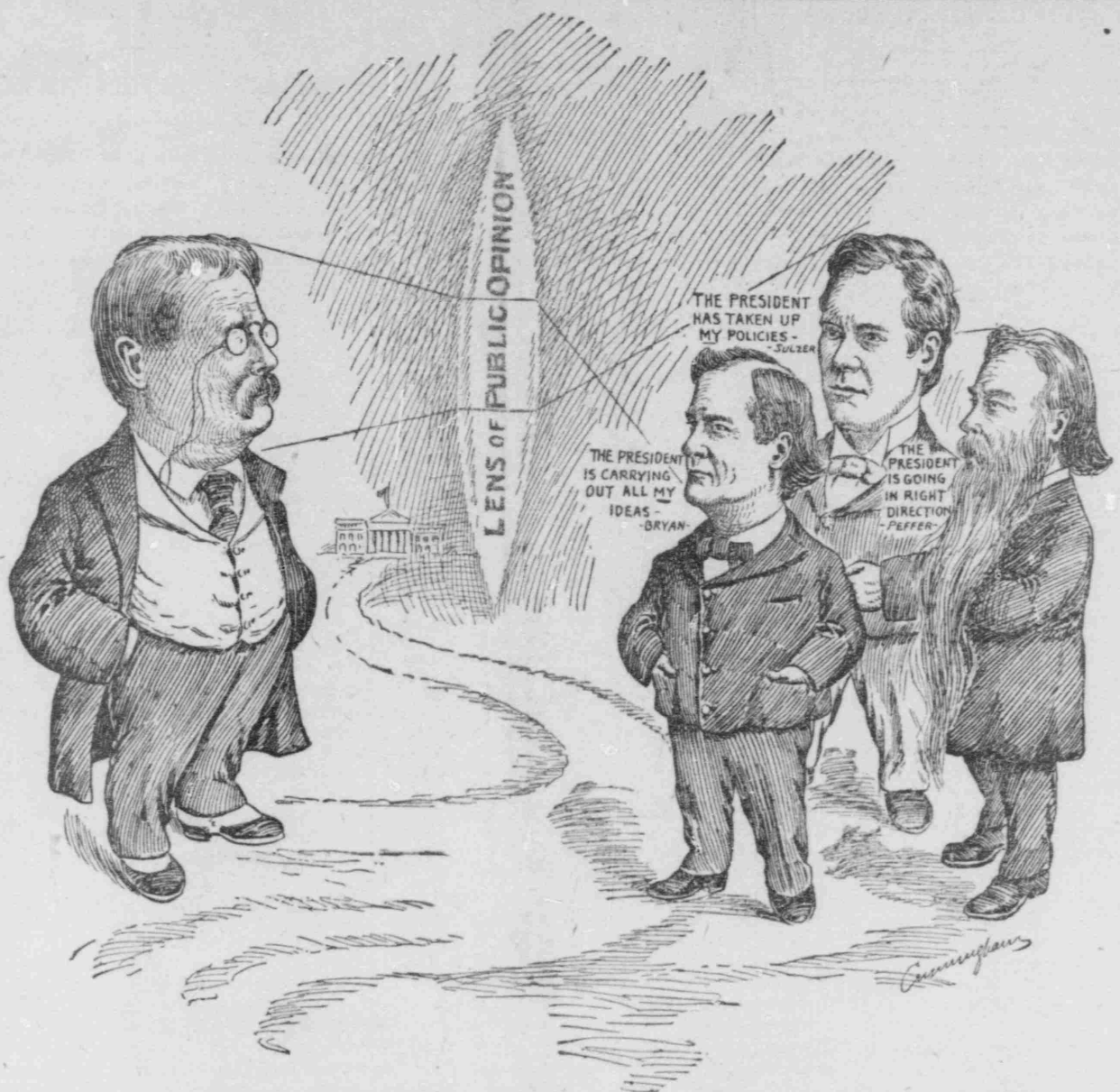
The President himself has lost some of  
his prestige. He has talked too much,  
meddled in too many matters, and in-  
tervened in too many negotiations which  
did not concern him. He has caused his  
portrait to be printed too often in the  
illustrated papers while the Japanese have  
for their part the prestige of force en-  
veloped in mystery.

The Libre Parole's article found its  
excuse and inspiration in a letter ad-  
dressed to the editor by the Hochi Shim-  
pun, a Japanese newspaper, asking his  
opinion of Japan, a country which the  
editor of the French paper frankly says  
he never visited.

## Shooting Ends Old Quarrel.

Asheville, N. C., July 16.—As the result  
of an old quarrel, John Adams was shot  
and killed to-day by James Ray, at Ivy  
in Madison County. The men met un-  
expectedly and Ray fired twice, both shots  
taking effect.

Visit the Guard Thursday.  
For accommodation of those desiring to  
visit the soldier boys while in camp at  
Harpers Ferry, special trains will leave  
Baltimore and Ohio station 9:30 a. m.  
Thursday and July 18, returning 7:15 p.  
m. same day. Round trip \$1.50.



## OFFICERS FOR ELKS

Bitter Fight Precedes Elec-  
tion in Philadelphia.

## DALLAS GET NEXT CONVENTION

Women Faint in Press of Crowd that  
Breaks City's Record—Texans  
Worry the S. P. C. A. with Badger  
Fight—Denverites Plan to Shoot Up  
the Town To-morrow Night.

Philadelphia, July 16.—After a bitter all-  
day fight in convention, it was announced  
officially at 10 o'clock to-night, that John  
K. Tenor, of Charleston, Pa., had been  
chosen as grand exalted ruler of the Elks;  
Fred C. Robinson, of Dubuque, Iowa, as  
grand secretary; Bayard Gray, of Frank-  
lin, Ind., as grand lecturing knight, and  
W. T. Lackie, of Dawagiac, Mich., grand  
loyal knight.

The new grand trustees are Mayor  
Charles C. Schmidt, of Wheeling, W. Va.;  
John M. Kehlor, Kenosha, Wis.; Col. Al-  
fred T. Holly, New Jersey.

John W. Wagner, of Kansas City, de-  
feated Edward Leach, of New York, for  
grand treasurer.

The greatest crowds in Philadelphia's  
memory took possession of the center of  
the city to-night. For four square miles  
the crowd was like a bridge rush in New  
York. Multitudes strolled the two lead-  
ing ferries to Atlantic City trains, and  
squadrons of police had to be sent down  
to restore order. A number of women  
fainted and were slightly injured.

The El Paso people had a badger fight  
to-night, much to the distress of the So-  
ciety for the Prevention of Cruelty to  
Animals, which spent much of the day  
trying to catch up with the fight. The  
Texans brought up several badgers and a  
bulldog. The biggest, a white one, was  
put in the ring with the dog, and nearly  
killed the bulldog before the latter got a  
grip.

One of the Colorado Elks got in trouble  
last night. He had a pass at Wood-  
side Park, and insisted upon riding in-  
definitely on the switchback. When the  
proprietor remonstrated, the Elk cheer-  
fully chewed his ear. As this is punish-  
able by twenty years' imprisonment in  
Pennsylvania, the Colorado people are  
anxious and ready to put up a big sum  
to save the erring brother.

Thursday night the Denverites have  
made plans to shoot up the town. The  
few Westerners will be with them.

Dallas, Tex., was selected late to-night  
as the next convention city. It is prob-  
able that none of the trustees will be  
elected, and that the whole ticket will  
fall, because none of the candidates re-  
ceived the majority of all the votes cast.  
Only Robert Mills, of Superior, Wis.,  
stands a chance to be elected a trustee.

## OLD SOL GETS BUSY AGAIN.

Makes Poor Humanity Forget All  
About Late Springs.

The city was more tolerable yesterday  
than it has been since the beginning of  
the hot spell. Not once did the mercury  
at Allie's rise above 93 degrees, and at  
the hottest hour, 4 o'clock, it barely  
touched that figure. The Weather Bu-  
reau thermometer doesn't credit the sun  
with doing any better than 88, but, situ-  
ated high up among the trees and the  
breeze, that machine hardly tells a true  
story.

To those who were compelled to walk  
on the Avenue about noon and thereafter,  
83° was easily conceivable. No break in  
the heat is promised for to-day, but it  
will not be much hotter than yesterday,  
and a cooling shower or two may come  
up late in the afternoon.

Two prostrations resulted yesterday  
from the heat.

Charles Ashton, colored, forty-two years  
old, living at 243 Fourteenth street north-  
east, was overcome by the heat at Eleve-  
enth and G streets northwest about 4:30  
p. m., and fell, receiving a cut on the  
chin. He was taken to the Emergency  
Hospital.

Sam Phillips, colored, fifty-three years  
old, living at 345 G street southwest, was  
prostrated in a new building at Four-  
and-a-half and I streets, while at work.  
He was taken to his home.

1908 was the "Northwestern's" large-  
est year. The people are getting WISE.  
Huske & Smith, General Agents.

## ERROR KEEPS GIRL A CONVICT.

Negress' Term Was for Twenty  
Months, but Clerk Wrote "Years."

Montgomery, Ala., July 16.—Because of  
the mistake of a court clerk, who wrote  
"years" instead of "months," Rhema Riv-  
ers, a negro girl, served almost twenty  
years in the penitentiary, when she died,  
and her sentence should only have been  
twenty months.

The mistake of the clerk has just been  
discovered, but too late for the girl, who  
had almost completed the twenty years,  
when typhoid fever struck her down.

While in prison a child was born, and  
now the prisoner's mother is asking the  
legislature to make amends by appropri-  
ating money enough to pay for the work  
done by her daughter while she was serv-  
ing a sentence not imposed by the court.

The legislature is expected to make an  
appropriation to pay for the work done.

## AMERICAN PROPOSAL HEARD

Gen. Porter Addresses Peace Confer-  
ence at The Hague.

The Hague, July 16.—The first com-  
mission of the Peace Conference devoted  
the afternoon's session to consideration of  
the American proposal forbidding co-  
ercive action for the recovery of public  
contractual debts, including dividends on  
bonds, until arbitration is invoked.

Gen. Porter declared that the forcible  
recovery of debts was contrary to modern  
spirit. It was America's object to pre-  
vent usurious contracts from causing dan-  
gerous interventions, which constituted an  
evil for both debtors and creditors.

Arguing that the game was not worth  
the candle, he instanced a case where  
12,000,000 francs were spent in collecting  
a debt of half a million francs.

He cited the opinion of Lord Palmer-  
ston and Salisbury, Mr. Balfour, Hamil-  
ton Fish, Bayard, and Roosevelt against  
coercive measures, and pointed out that  
if force were abolished the debtor coun-  
try would understand that their credit  
could only proceed from good order in  
their finances.

M. Prozer, a Russian delegate, supported  
the proposal. He said he welcomed the  
initiative of America, where right had al-  
ways been cultivated. He suggested, how-  
ever, that the proposal should not be  
retrospective regarding existing contracts  
based on the assumption that force could  
be used to compel payment.

Venezuela moved an amendment for-  
bidding force even after arbitration.  
Senor Drago, author of the doctrine bear-  
ing his name, which deals with the mat-  
ter under discussion, did not speak.  
Sweden urged that the commission go  
slow. Her delegates said the proposal  
was one that required caution in deal-  
ing with it.

Gen. Porter's speech was brought for-  
ward as part of the general debate on  
the whole question of arbitration. Dr.  
Asser, of Holland, eloquently pleaded  
for making The Hague a real interna-  
tional court, always sitting. This was  
supported by several other delegates. The  
debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

It is generally assumed that Gen. Por-  
ter's proposal will not be adopted, but  
that the whole question will be incorpo-  
rated by the editing committee in the  
proposal for compulsory arbitration.

## MADMAN KILLED BY POSSE.

Mortally Wounds One Man and Shots  
Five Others in Three-day Fight.

Chicago, July 16.—Driven from his hid-  
ing place on the barren sand dunes of  
Indiana, an insane man, who has kept  
all the towns contiguous to the Illinois  
State line in a state of siege for nearly  
a week, was run down and shot to death  
by a posse of more than 100 citizens and  
police men shortly before 8 o'clock to-  
night.

One man is dying in St. Margaret's  
Hospital in Hammond as a result of the  
three days' running fight with the mad-  
man, and five of the others who were in  
the little army that ran him down have  
injuries that are dangerous.

## Will Your Silverware Be Protected?

During your absence from town? If same  
be stored in the special silver vaults of  
Trust Co., 144 P. you can feel as-  
sured of its safety. Free cartage.

A la Carte Lunch Served Daily  
At Eckstein's from 12 to 3. 1412 N. Y. ave.

## WRITES AS SHE DIES

Mother Kills Daughter and  
Herself with Gas.

## DESCRIBES CHILD'S EXPRESSION

Affected with Incurable Disease,  
Woman Advises Husband to Re-  
main Away All Night and Prepares  
Terrible Surprise for Him—Stops  
All Cracks to Assure Death.

New York, July 16.—As the pallor of  
death spread over the face of her ten-  
year-old daughter Marie, by her side,  
Mrs. Henrietta Reuter thus wrote of the  
effect of the gas which she had turned on  
in her room on the second floor of 439  
East Fifty-seventh street:

Dear Ernest: Forgive me. I feel that I never  
can get well again, and our beautiful Marie would  
be alone in the world without a mother.

I am awfully nervous at this moment when we are  
so near death.

Farwell, and a thousand thanks for all the good  
you have done for me. I am loving at  
Marie, and her expression is awful. Keep the  
doors for yourself.

You will never know how I suffered. Farwell  
again.

As the deadly fumes slowly conquered  
her consciousness the pen dropped from  
her hand, and soon mother and daughter  
were dead.

## Many Words Illegible.

Besides the foregoing lines, there were  
many that were not readable. Sentences  
scattered legibly would become a mere  
scrawl after a word. The last dozen lines  
of the note were nothing but wavy lines.  
A big blot and a splutter marked where  
consciousness failed.

The Reuters boarded with the family  
of Edward Hoehner at the address given,  
and lived happily; but for six months Mrs.  
Reuter had been afflicted with a nerv-  
ous disease which deprived her of sleep  
and rendered her melancholy.

Ernest Reuter, a bookkeeper, went to  
Newark yesterday and was unable to re-  
turn until late. He called his wife on the  
telephone and told her of this, and she  
advised him to remain at Newark all night.

## Husband Finds Them Dead.

Acting on this advice, Reuter remained  
at Newark. Early to-day, when he  
reached home, he found the door locked.

He could get no response, and, as there  
was an odor of gas, he burst in the door.  
The room was filled with gas; the win-  
dow was closed, and the keyhole in the  
door and every aperture was plugged  
with paper.

Mrs. Reuter was dead and the daughter  
still warm. The wife lay stretched on  
the floor near an overturned chair, having  
arisen from the bed in which she had  
been lying. The daughter was in bed.

Mrs. Reuter, after her daughter went to  
sleep, had arisen and prepared for death.  
Then, sitting in the chair to await its  
coming, she wrote of the effects till she  
fell over to the floor, overcome by the  
fumes.

## TUSKEGEE SCHOOL PRAISED.

Examiner for Alabama Legislature  
Reports Accounts All Correct.

Montgomery, Ala., July 16.—The legisla-  
ture to-day received the report of Special  
Examiner W. H. Harris, on the accounts  
of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial  
Institute, and the examiner gives the  
school a complimentary report in all de-  
partments, especially praising the book-  
keeping system. Not an error was dis-  
covered.

He found that the school had an en-  
dowment of \$1,479,150, and owned 2,600  
acres of real estate, the value of which  
is \$700,000.

The examiner says the general moral  
conduct of the pupils is uplifting, and  
that the teachings are of such character  
as to win commendation. At the close of  
the school there were 1,596 students and  
149 teachers.

## Report of Tolstoy's Death Denied.

St. Petersburg, July 16.—The report tele-  
phoned last night from Moscow that  
Count Tolstoy had died at his country seat  
at Jasnaya Poliana, in the government  
of Tula, turns out to have been untrue.  
Count Tolstoy is not only not dead, but  
in the enjoyment of good health.

Travel Made Comfortable in Hot  
Weather.

The Baltimore and Ohio "Royal Lim-  
ited" to Philadelphia and New York is  
equipped throughout with electric fans  
and lights. Leaves Washington 3 p. m.  
Arrives New York 3 p. m.

## HAU'S DEFENSE OUTLINED.

Professor Will Claim He Returned  
to See Sister of Wife.

Berlin, July 16.—The trial of Karl Hau,  
the former George Washington Univer-  
sity professor, who is charged with the  
murder of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Mol-  
ter, in Baden-Baden, promises to be the  
most dramatic of the year.

The circumstantial evidence against the  
professor is strong. The fact that he  
traveled from Frankfurt to Baden-Baden  
on the day previous to the murder, wear-  
ing a false beard and otherwise disguised,  
is deemed an important point.

Hau's defense is that he had an in-  
trigue with an unmarried sister of his  
wife, in order to see whom he traveled  
disguised from London.

If this is true, the central figure in the  
dramatic trial will be this young woman,  
whose position, in any case, is most  
tragic, for if she denies Hau's assertions  
she will condemn him to death, while an  
admission of their truth would mean her  
own social ruin.

## FRANCE STILL TRUE

Fallieres Expresses Friend-  
ship for America.

## TOAST REGARDED SIGNIFICANT

Remarks Made at Dinner Given in  
Honor of Rear Admiral Stockton  
and Officers of Cruisers Tennessee  
and Washington, Now at Brest.  
Ambassador Jusserand Present.

Paris, July 16.—The luncheon given to-  
day at the Elysee by President Fallieres  
to Rear Admiral Charles H. Stockton and  
the officers of the cruisers Tennessee and  
Washington, now at Brest, was made  
more notable than it has been expected to  
be by the extremely cordial manner in  
which Fallieres toasted the United States  
and his warm protestation of France's in-  
extinguishable friendship for America.

While this sort of talk has been very  
familiar at Franco-American reunions on  
both sides of the water, it is not without  
significance that Fallieres took occasion  
to reiterate it at this naval dejeuner, at  
the time all the Franco-American war  
talk and immediately after the formation  
of the Franco-Japanese entente.

Admiral Stockton, accompanied by  
Capt. Berry and Porter and Midship-  
man Jackson, visited the American Em-  
bassy this morning, and was received by  
Ambassador White and Secretary Vig-  
naud. After an exchange of greetings  
the whole party, accompanied by Flag  
Lieut. Grancy, of the French naval gen-  
eral staff, repaired to the Elysee Palace,  
where they were received with all due  
pomp. The American uniforms had called  
forth some cheer en route. The luncheon  
was of forty covers. The guests included  
Premier Clemenceau, Minister of Marine  
Thomson, and M. Jusserand, the French  
Ambassador at Washington. President  
Fallieres said:

"It is particularly agreeable to me to  
receive representatives of the fine Ameri-  
can navy, and to welcome them to the  
capital of a nation which is united to  
the great republic of the United States  
by ties of friendship more than a cen-  
tury-old, and which time will not be able  
to alter."

"I beg Admiral Stockton, whose superb  
ships have been received with joy at  
our ports, to tell President Roosevelt how  
touched we have been at this visit, and  
how sincerely we associate his respected  
person with the nation whose chief he is.  
I raise my glass to the President of  
the United States. I drink prosperity to  
the American nation and its valiant  
navy."

Rear Admiral Stockton made a felici-  
tous reply.

## CRANKS INVADE OYSTER BAY

Suspicious Characters Foiled in At-  
tempt to See President.

Oyster Bay, July 16.—This was "bug"  
day, at the summer capital. Perhaps the  
cranks knew that Secretary Loeb had  
taken a day off, and had gone to New  
York. At any rate, there were several  
strange, and what the New York police  
would call, "suspicious" characters about  
town. Two of them declared themselves.  
A bewhiskered man, loaded down with  
two dress suit cases and three handbags  
slung across his shoulders, announced  
that he was the devil. He did not say  
whom he had come for, but it is  
believed that he was after Secretary  
Loeb. He was induced to leave town.